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May 12, 1874. 18

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Selected Literature.

The Nest.

BY H. H.

Under the apple tree, sombody said,
'Look at that robin's nest overhead!
All of sharp sticks, and of mud and clay—
What a rough home for a summer day?'
Gaunt stood the apple tree, gaunt and bare,
And creaked in the winds which blustered there.
The nest was wet with the April rain;
The clay ran down in an ugly stain;
Little it looked, I must truly say,
Like a lovely home for a summer day.

Up in the apple tree, somebody laughed,
'Little you know of the true home-craft.
Laugh, if you like, at my sticks and clay;
They'll make a good home for a summer day.
May turns the apple tree pink and white,
Sunny all day, and fragrant at night.
My babies will never feel the showers,
For rain can't get through these feathers of ours.
Snug under my wings they will cuddle and sleep,
The happiest babies awake or asleep,'
Said the mother-robin flying away
After more of the sticks and mud and clay.

Under the apple tree sombody sighed,
'Ah me, the blunder of folly and pride!
The roughest small house of mud and clay
Might be a sweet home for a summer day.
Sunny and fragrant all day, all night,
With only good cheer for fragrance and light;
And the bitterest storms of grief and pain
Will beat and break on that home in vain,
Where a true hearted mother broods alway
And makes the whole year like a summer day.'

—*St. Nicholas for October.*

AN OLD LAWYER'S STORY.

A great many years ago, while I was comparatively a young man, and still unmarried, I resided in a certain city of Pennsylvania, and enjoyed the reputation of being the cleverest lawyer ever known there. It is not for me to say the praise was merited, but I certainly found myself able to discover loop-holes of escape for those whom I defended, which surprised even my fellow lawyers. I possessed by nature those qualities which would have made an excellent detective, and I was a thorough student of the law. There was no mystery about it, but among the more ignorant classes I had gained reputation for more than human knowledge. Perhaps it was not polite for them to say that the devil helped, but they did.

However, I began to tell you about Mme Matteau.

She was an old lady who owned a little house in the suburb of the city. She herself was of American birth, but her husband had been a Frenchman, and so the title Madame had been bestowed upon her. She was now a widow, and her daughter Gabrielle and her son Henri, were her only living relatives. Her income was but slender, and she eked it out by taking a few boarders, generally steady old people who had known her for many years. These respected and liked her; but the city generally had a prejudice against her. There had been two sudden deaths in her house. Each time the victim was a stranger who came at night and was found dead in his bed in the morning. Each time the jury was divided—some believing that strangulation had been the cause of death, some that the man had died in a fit.

It was a terrible thing that two such deaths should have occurred beneath her roof. Madam's friends pitied her. The rest of the little world hinted that these were strangers, and their trunks, which held no one knew how much money and other valuable property, remained in madam's possession. No one said she was a murderess, but every one said it was 'very strange,' in an odd tone, and no one since that death had visited Mme. Matteau.

I myself—perhaps because I had admired her a great deal, and her daughter much more—had always insisted that it was merely a coincidence, and that in a world in which apoplexy and heart disease was so common, it was no such marvel that two men should have met such sudden deaths in the same house. But my faith in this theory was shaken when one morning it was pushed over the city that another transient boarder had been found dead in Mme. Matteau's house, & that she was arrested on suspicion of having murdered him, his watch and chain having been found in her possession.

Before I had recovered from the shock of this terrible piece of news, a messenger came to me from Mme. Matteau. She desired to see me. Of course I went to her at once.

She had been taken to prison and I found her in a little room with a barred window and an insufficient fire upon the hearth. The logs had burnt in two upon the andirons, and the white ashes were scattered over the hearth. Almost in them sat Mme. Matteau in her widow's dress of sombre [illegible]

She was chilly wh[illegible] ment and had dr[illegible] the fire.

She shook [illegible] foot, and [illegible] she t[illegible] he[illegible] she [illegible] Is it [illegible] man [illegible] ribly [illegible] eyes [illegible] Ugh [illegible] man [illegible]

to last, what happened—what was said, what was done. If—'

I paused; her black eyes had flashed upon me. I could not ask her whether she had any confession to make. I saw that she had not. Unless she was the best actress who ever lived, Mme. Matteau was innocent of any crime.

'If you have any suspicions,' I added, 'tell them all to me.'

'There is no one to suspect,' sobbed the old woman.

'In the house where Gabrielle, my daughter whom you have seen, old Hannah, the cook; Mr. and Mrs. Beauchamp, friends of my poor dear husband in his boyhood—the best, the kindest of people; Mr. Grey, a very old man, too feeble to leave the house; poor, deformed Miss Mormam, and the librarian, Mr. Bassford. None of these would murder a mouse. See how kind they are; they remain in my house; they send me word they have no doubt of me. Oh, how can anybody?'

'And this man who—' I began.

'Yes,' said Mme. Matteau, 'I will tell you; he was fair, young, handsomely dressed; he asked [illegible] ford at the depot if he [illegible] one who could accom[illegible] Mr. Bassford brought him home [illegible] only empty room was the one which those other two strangers died [illegible] I could not bear to put him in [illegible] but Mr. Bassford laughed at me [illegible] had supper afterward. He talked [illegible] long time to Gabrielle. It was [illegible] when he retired—late for a [illegible] household. Hannah had made [illegible] fire. She came and told us [illegible] had done so. He said good night [illegible]

'After he had gone we found [illegible] had left his watch on the table [illegible] wore it only with a bunch of seals [illegible] he had been setting it by the [illegible] and showing it to us as something [illegible] handsome. I knocked at his [illegible] to restore it to him. He had [illegible] us fifteen minutes before; he must have been asleep a[illegible] no answer. So I kept it [illegible] and wore it down to breakfast [illegible] morning. As I came down [illegible] gentleman in the hall. He [illegible] for Mr. Glen. That was the [illegible] comer's name. I sent Hannah [illegible] wake him. She had a key that would open the door, and used it [illegible] thing I knew we were all in the [illegible] and the windows were wide [illegible] the doctor had been sent for; [illegible] young man who had called [illegible] screaming that his brother [illegible] choked to death; and there [illegible] inquest, and they arrested me [illegible] brother said the first thing [illegible] ticed was that I wore Mr. [illegible] and seals. I had forgotten [illegible] terror.

'So Hannah [illegible] I said!

'Yes; at least it was a key [illegible] open it. It was the key to [illegible] ford's door. She knocked [illegible] out with a stick and put [illegible]

'The people who were [illegible] that night were boarders [illegible] other men were found,' I said.

'Oh, yes!'

'And Hannah was there [illegible]

'All my married life, Hannah lived with me.'

'Your daughter overcome [illegible] hold in your absence?'

'Yes poor child, [illegible] help.' I thought a little [illegible]

'Madame,' I said, [illegible] strange mystery in [illegible] not despair of proving [illegible] nocence. Meanwhile [illegible] possible, and endeavor [illegible] everything connected [illegible] deaths that have [illegible] house. The [illegible] least important [illegible] most immense value.

So I left and went [illegible] enough, on the way [illegible] who had been [illegible] dull, heavy sort of [illegible] ably given to hour[illegible] opinion of his [illegible] great. However [illegible] on the subject [illegible]

'Well you [illegible] woman murdered [illegible] would say it was [illegible] smothering him [illegible] pose on other [illegible] la. Well, [illegible] Why, too [illegible] ting. He [illegible] breath. I [illegible] ter. One [illegible] dark.

[illegible]

rible unseen thing in the room,' [illegible] sho, 'some awful shapeless spirit [illegible] when it is locked in with the victim murders him. Let others believe [illegible] they will, I believe that.'

The words haunted me, but I [illegible] ed at them, of course. Whatever was, I would try to know. I [illegible] plan.

At dusk I went into my [illegible] myself. I came out a stu[illegible] wore a white wig, a pair of [illegible] gles, and an overcoat [illegible] which reached to my [illegible] muffler about my throat [illegible] bunch on one of my [illegible] ried a thick cane, [illegible] deal as I walked. [illegible] carried a carpet [illegible] a pair of slippers [illegible]

As I passed [illegible] early moon [illegible] my way to [illegible] house.

It was [illegible] ed, b[illegible]